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COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1914.

THE "HOME PAPER" OF THE MIDDLE SECTION OF PROSPEROUS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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IN ADVANCE.

WHOLE NUMBER, 2046.

About Town Notes

Tuesday afternoon fire was discovered in the rear part of the lower section of R. N. Wanner's double house, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Tyson. The alarm was sounded by the whistle at the Freed Heater Company's plant. Many citizens and members of the Fire Company with their engine soon responded. While the hose connections were being made water was applied by means of buckets. Water from the hose soon extinguished the smoldering fire which had not broken out in flames. The fire was caused by the rear part of the kitchen range overheating the lathe and studding of the kitchen. Evidently the fire had been smoldering for some days. The damage done to the house amounts to about \$100. Mr. Wanner and Mr. Tyson desire to have expressed their most hearty thanks to all who contributed their assistance in the work of extinguishing the fire.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Trinity Reformed church will hold its regular meeting next Monday evening, October 5th, at the home of Mrs. Emma Hunsicker at eight o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Allebach and son, of Spring Mount, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bartman on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hunsicker and daughter and Mrs. Susan Hunsicker and daughter, of Norristown, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Bartman.

Mrs. J. Borden is spending the week with relatives in Palmyra.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Tyson, Dr. S. D. Cornish and son and Mrs. R. H. Schuchman spent the week end in Atlantic City.

Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Yost are entertaining the following: Mrs. J. J. Fisher, of Tanawaga and Mrs. Omar Wagner and son of Pontiac, Ill.

Mrs. Suder, of Camden, N. J., is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Corson.

Miss Dorothy Sauter, of Germantown, spent the week's end as the guest of Miss Elizabeth Lachman.

Miss Catherine Custer spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bechtel.

Misses Eula Baer and Edna Morris, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. J. C. Koch, of Bowers, were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Renninger.

Mr. J. R. Huber spent Sunday at the home of his parents in Sassamville.

Mrs. Long, of King-of-Prussia, visited Miss Elizabeth Kratz last week.

Mrs. Platt and children of Center Point spent the week end at the home of Mr. Henry Grubb.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zern, of York, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Landes, on Sunday.

Mr. Nelson Godshall spent several days of last week in Allentown.

Mr. Ralph Walt, of Wayne, spent the week end at the home of his parents.

Harvey Klausfetter spent several days last week with relatives in Allentown.

Walter Cauffman spent Friday at the Allentown Fair.

Dr. Wm. Corson attended a meeting of the State Homeopathic Medical Society at Galen Hall, Wernersville, last Friday.

D. R. Homer, sales agent for the Collegeville garage, has sold a Saxo car to Isaiah C. Detwiler, of Evansburg.

David Bowers is on duty as assistant to Samuel Bolton, Iveryman at Perkiomen Bridge hotel.

After an absence of four months in Western Virginia Mr. Walter I. Shoemaker is expected to return home the latter part of this week.

Mr. Wm. Renshaw, of Phoenixville, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ingram.

Tax Collector H. R. Miller will be at home Thursday October 1, from 8 to 10 p. m. to receive school tax. After October 1, 5 per cent will be added.

Mrs. Thomas Hallman, who had been confined to her house with an attack of diphtheria is now out of quarantine.

Miss Augusta Homer spent Sunday with friends in Limerick.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Fry, of Norristown, spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Lachman.

Miss Alice Robertson, of St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, will spend some time at the home of Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Clawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover, of Germantown, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. H. H. Ernold.

Captain H. H. Fetterolf attended a meeting of the G. A. R. at Pottstown on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Rimby, spent several days this week with relatives in Overbrook.

Mrs. Neff, of Philadelphia, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Tyson.

Mr. Frank Gristock and Dr. W. M. Hill motored to Philadelphia on Monday.

Miss Jennie Merkel, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ingram.

Mrs. G. F. Clamer spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. William Schwager and son Harold spent the week end with relatives at Cedar Hollow.

Mrs. Frieda Kuhnert spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

The Death Roll

Joseph M. Dettra.

Joseph M. Dettra died Friday at the home of his son in Norristown, aged 57 years. The surviving children are: Mrs. Mary Dettra, wife of Henry Daub, and Kate Dettra of Collegeville, and J. Harry Dettra of Norristown. For many years Mr. Dettra lived near Green Tree in Upper Providence township. In later years he was a resident of Collegeville. He was a shoemaker by trade and a kindly man who did much reading and thinking. The funeral was held on Monday from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daub. All services and interment at Green Tree church and cemetery; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

Albert Lightcap.

Albert Lightcap died Friday morning at the residence of his parents, Englewood, in his 30th year. Funeral on Tuesday at 11:30 at Herstein's schoolhouse and cemetery. Limerick; undertaker F. W. Shalkop in charge.

Cook Stove Exploded.

Tuesday morning the cook stove in the home of Rev. Jesse Mack, of near Yorks station, exploded with terrific force, pieces of metal flying in every direction. There was wood fire in the stove, the wood being pieces of stump root. Just what the root contained that caused the explosion is a mystery. Very fortunately no one was seriously injured. Mrs. Mack suffered a few burns.

House Destroyed by Fire.

The house on the premises of Thomas Papas, formerly the Kratz property, near the Level school, Lower Providence, was entirely destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning. When the fire broke out Mrs. Papas was quite ill and had to be carried from the house. Some of the household goods were saved. The origin of the fire is not known at this writing.

W. C. T. U.

The opening meeting of the local W. C. T. U. will be held at the parsonage Tuesday, September 6, at 3 p. m. A full attendance is desired.

A lecture under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be held in Bomberger hall, Monday evening, October 12, at eight o'clock. Mrs. Addie B. Parsels of Philadelphia, vice-president of the State organization, also lecturer and organizer, will be the speaker.

Musical.

On Saturday afternoon Elizabeth B. Lachman delightfully entertained about 150 guests with a piano recital given by a number of her pupils assisted by Miss Dorothy Sauter, soprano, of Philadelphia. The pupils played in a very creditable manner, showing the careful training by their teacher. After the program refreshments were served and all expressed having a pleasant time.

ADDITIONAL TOWN NOTES.

Mr. Milton Keeler, of Pottstown, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Rimby.

The Women's Missionary Society of Trinity Reformed church will meet at the home of Mrs. Ella M. Hobson on Wednesday, October 7, at 2 p. m.

James Hubler, living with A. J. Fink, has been doing some effective work in blasting stumps and soil-soiling at Mr. Robinson's driving park. A day or two ago Mr. Hubler had the misfortune, while tying a corn shock, to fall and fracture two ribs.

Hereafter the barber shops of the town will be closed Thursday afternoons.

Fall Millinery Opening.

Mrs. Lachman announces the grand fall opening of the Collegeville millinery store for Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3, with a fine display of the latest fall styles of Paris hats, trimmed and untrimmed. Mrs. Fry, trimmer.

Harvest Home Festival.

A Harvest Home Festival will be held at River Crest Farm near Phoenixville on Saturday afternoon, October 3. Useful articles, fancy work and refreshments will be on sale. Everybody come.

Love Feast.

The River Brethren will hold Love Feast next Saturday, October 3, at their meetinghouse, near Graterford, at 1:30 p. m. Bishop H. B. Hoffer, of Mount Joy, will be the visiting minister. Everybody invited.

Price of Milk for October.

The Executive Committee of the Inter-State Milk Producers Association has fixed the wholesale price of milk for October 1914 at 5 cents per quart until further notice.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. W. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. W. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out all obligations made by him.

NATURAL CURE is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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COMMUNITY PRAYER SERVICE AT URSINUS COLLEGE, OCT. 4.

In keeping with the proclamation issued by President Wilson, a Community Prayer Service for the Restoration of Peace in Europe will be held in Bomberger Hall, Ursinus College, on Sunday afternoon, October 4, at 8 o'clock. The program arranged for the service will include prayers, an address by Rev. Geo. C. Paley, S. T. D., of Philadelphia, the reading of the President's proclamation by G. L. Omwake, Ph. D., the singing of hymns and Scriptural readings. The committee of arrangements for the coming service is as follows: Geo. L. Omwake, Ph. D., chairman; Rev. Wm. S. Clapp, secretary; Rev. W. A. Kline, B. D.; Rev. S. L. Messinger, D. D.; Rev. C. D. Yost, B. D.; Rev. C. L. Rothermel, Rev. W. L. Steek, Rev. H. M. G. Huff.

PLEAD GUILTY COURT.

At Plead Guilty Court at Norristown, Tuesday, the following defendants presented themselves: George O'Donnell, larceny. Selden D. Nulquist, forgery. Robert Warm, larceny. Joseph McManis, larceny. Adam Sweetzer, larceny. Frederick Anderson, larceny. James Cox, furnishing liquor to minor.

George Shannon and Edward Maguire, larceny.

John Lutz, felonious entry and larceny.

George Virtue, larceny.

Harry Hoffman, larceny.

George De Bricio, carrying concealed deadly weapons.

James Carr, furnishing liquor to person of intemperate habits.

William Kesler, burglary.

John Kaley, larceny.

Charles Butler, carrying concealed deadly weapons.

Alfred Young, larceny.

George DeHaven, larceny.

Robert Holmes, attempt burglary.

Harvey Smith alias Joseph Jones, burglary.

George Henning, embezzlement.

David Colbert, larceny.

Samuel Parry, carrying concealed deadly weapons.

W. B. Richard, forgery.

Francis Evans, larceny.

Isaac Eckert, larceny.

Mark Robinson, forgery.

WEDDINGS.

In the presence of a number of relatives and friends Sara M. Kulp, of Norristown, and Thomas F. Billips, of Schuylkill Haven, were united in marriage in Trinity Reformed Church, Norristown, at 7 o'clock on Monday evening of last week. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. J. Bodder, the pastor. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Kulp, of Ironbridge, and for a long time filled a position at the State Hospital, Norristown.

The groom holds a position at the Schuylkill County Hospital, Schuylkill Haven. After the ceremony they left for Washington, D. C., and Pittsburgh, after which they will reside at Schuylkill Haven.

On Saturday afternoon Miss Ada Gottshalk, of Ironbridge, and Mr. John Leinstein, of Philadelphia, were united in marriage at the bride's home by Rev. W. S. Clapp.

Lansdale Woman Killed by Falling Tree.

Struck by a tree felled to capture a raccoon, Mrs. John B. Felver, of Lansdale, was fatally injured Saturday night. Mrs. Mary Owen, mother of Mrs. Felver, was also struck by the falling tree and her condition is critical. The ladies accompanied Mr. Felver and some friends on a hunt. A few miles from Lansdale a coon was treed in a hollow oak 75 feet high. The tree was cut down to secure the animal. Mrs. Felver died at her home an hour after being injured. She was 35 years old and is survived by her husband and two children.

Large Concrete Silo.

B. P. Kern, proprietor of the Keystone Concrete Works, Royersford, recently completed a large silo of concrete blocks on the farm of Attorney Gilpin, of Philadelphia, near Sanatoga. The silos erected by Mr. Kern are substantial and enduring and entirely satisfactory as preservers of silo feed. If you want a good silo that will need no paint and no repairs during your lifetime consult B. P. Kern.

Woman Naturalized.

The first woman to be naturalized in Montgomery county, in the memory of court house scribes, is Evelyn Graison Drummond, who received the necessary papers from court Monday morning. The woman came from Jamaica twelve years ago and is a domestic in the home of Dr. W. H. Reed, of Jeffersonville.

St. Joseph's Protectors Receive Bequest.

St. Joseph's Protectors, of Norristown, received a bequest amounting to about \$650 by the will of Mary A. Butney, late of 1747 North Twenty-sixth street, Philadelphia, which was admitted to probate last week.

Keep Your Stomach and Liver Healthy.

A vigorous stomach, perfect working liver and regular action bowels is guaranteed if you will use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They insure good digestion, correct constipation and have an excellent tonic effect on the whole system—purify your blood and rid you of all body poisons through the bowels. Only 50c at your druggist.

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MET DEATH ON PERKIOMEN RAILROAD.

Anthony Ballinger, of Allentown, was struck by a south-bound freight at Salford station on the Perkiomen railroad on Thursday afternoon, and died while on the way to the Allentown Hospital. Mr. Ballinger was flagman on the Green Lane shifter, attached to engine number 1010, which was on its way to Collegeville. At Salford station the shifter was run on a siding to allow the regular pickup to pass. Ballinger threw the switch for the south-bound freight and was standing too close to the track when the step of the oncoming engine number 1018 struck him, tearing away a part of his face and inflicting a deep hole in his head back of the ear. He was immediately placed in the caboose and the engine of his train started for Allentown to take the unfortunate man to the hospital. He died on the way. Mr. Ballinger was in his thirty-fourth year. He had been employed as a railroader ever since he was seventeen years of age. He is survived by his wife, one son and his aged mother. Two brothers and one sister also survive.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Teachers' Institute of Montgomery County will be held in Norristown during the week beginning Monday, October 26th, with the opening sessions in the Grand Opera House, where will also be held the afternoon sessions during the following days, while the sectional sessions, during the morning hours, will be held in the Auditorium of the Norristown High School. The program for the sessions is rapidly being completed by Professor J. Horace Lendis, County Superintendent, and President of the Institute. An excellent corps of instructors are being secured. The same regulations as heretofore, relative to registration, etc., will prevail this year. The evening entertainments will be of a new class and vary from those of former years.

Bravery Rewarded.

In recognition of his heroism in risking his life to save that of 19-months-old Carmela Tarbitone on August 19, Patrick W. Mulligan, of 628 East Marshall street, crossing watchman at Mill street for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Norristown, has been presented by that company with a purse of fifty dollars and full pay for the time lost while recovering from the injuries received while rescuing the child.

Large Collection of Indian Relics.

Orvil Kreider, of Shimerville, has a collection of Indian relics numbering about 1,000 specimens comprising knives, spear and arrow heads, axes, celts, hammer and sling stones, pestles, sharpening stones and stone rim ornaments. Mr. Kreider collected nearly all himself during the last ten years and has them nicely arranged in a glass case.

Approaches to Bridge will be Repaired.

At a recent meeting of the Commissioners of Chester and Montgomery counties it was decided to at once improve the approaches to the bridge spanning the Schuylkill River. The commissioners have decided that the old bridge, kept in proper repair, would serve the public for years to come.

ARCOLA.

At Mount Kirk Manse, Eagleville, Thursday afternoon, September 24, by Rev. Irvin F. Wagner, Mr. Albert Patterson was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Stetler. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Patterson, of Phoenixville, were the guests of Mrs. Lydia A. Patterson, Sunday.

The well-driller, Mr. Firestone, has finished his work at Mr. Eliot's place. The well is 105 feet deep and has a capacity of 8 gallons of water per minute.

Messrs. Sterner and Culp, of Collegeville, are doing some concrete work at Mr. Eliot's place.

Robert Hartley had the misfortune to wreck his new Ford runabout late Saturday night. On account of imperfect light he collided with a fence.

BLACK ROCK AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Frank Fell, of near Mont Clare, and Ruth Bromer, of Schwenksville, are spending some time in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Showalter and son Frank, of Chester county, spent Sunday with the family of Jonathan Morris.

Mrs. David Jones and sons David and Allen spent Saturday in Pottstown.

Miss Mary Smith, of Philadelphia, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ettinger, of Norristown, spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. John I. Bechtel spent Sunday with the family of Isaiah Landes of Yorks.

Mr. Jonathan Morris spent several days last week with his daughter in Bethlehem, and while there attended the Allentown fair.

Mr. Davis Moyer finished filling his silo on Saturday.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PERKIOMEN PEACE DAY SERVICES-EXTENSIVE REPAIRS.

The Peace Day services in accordance with the proclamation of the president of the United States, and the request of the bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania will be held in old St. James' church, Perkiomen, Evansburg, on Sunday, October 4, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. The services will be marked by their appropriateness to the important subject for which all people are called together on this day for prayer and supplication to Almighty God. Everyone is earnestly asked to come and join in this service.

Extensive repairs and improvements have begun in and about the church property of St. James' parish. During the present autumn the ground and the cellar of the edifice will be properly drained, a new heating plant will be installed, the entire inside of the church will be renovated and restored to its old fashioned color scheme. In carrying out the whole plan of repairs and improvement the earnest people of St. James' parish hope to make their place of worship a thing of beauty and comfort to themselves and to their friends. The encouragement of every one in the community and the countryside will be very much appreciated.

One of the most satisfying things that has occurred in the parish life is that the vestry have authorized the payment of all obligations lawfully imposed upon the parish. To do this has entailed the sacrifice of some substantial benefits to the parish, but it has been done because it was the right thing to do.

REV. H. M. G. HUFF.

YOUTH AND OLD AGE.

Between youth and old age there is a never failing conflict. Vitality is continually pitted against experience and sometimes victory falls to the one and again to the other.

Among the greatest names in history we find side by side those of youth and old age. Men who have lived temperate lives and have escaped the aggravating infirmities of age are often more than a match for youth in mental endurance.

The health and efficiency of an elderly man depends largely upon his mental attitude. The man who begins to look over his shoulder at fifty will be stumbling through life at sixty, while the one who is continually looking ahead and seeking intellectual advancement will continue to increase in mental capacity. The brain's power grows long after the maximum of physical strength has been reached.

For the man of advanced years simple diet and regularity of habits are essential. The physiological processes are less active and many structures lack the elasticity of youth and should not be subjected to undue strain.

Tolerant age is more than a match for intolerant youth and the mental poise which should come with advancing years has a decided bearing on the physical well-being and mental power.

The infirmities of age are often less of a handicap to the accomplishment of serious and effective work than the erratic vitality of youth. Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Commissioner of Health.

Will Be Wedded Sixty Years.

January 7, 1915, will mark the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Huber, of Spring Mount. Both Mr. and Mrs. Huber had been residents of New Hanover township since their birth until last April, when they moved to Spring Mount to live with one of their sons. Mr. Huber celebrated his sixtieth birthday on August 14th, and Mrs. Huber will be 78 years old on October 23rd. The couple lived on a farm in New Hanover township for forty-five years. When Mr. Huber was a young man he learned the shoemaking trade and worked at that occupation in connection with his farm work. The union was blessed with twelve children, nine of whom are still living. Mrs. Huber, who died recently at the age of 84, was the last sister of Mr. Huber.

An Excellent Record.

G. W. Schweiker, of Providence Square, in the course of his business career, has killed 3200 animals with 3200 bullets, death being in every instance quick and humane. He allows special prices when animals are delivered. See adverb.

EVANSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Undercoffer and son were the guests of Charles Wismer at Graterford on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Undercoffer, Harry Undercoffer, and Mr. and Mrs. Dinkler spent Sunday at Frank Undercoffer's.

George Cassel and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bean visited Morgan C. Weber's Sunday.

Mrs. James Miller, of Philadelphia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Champlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitman visited friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Miller was given a handkerchief surprise on her birthday last Wednesday.

Frank Cleaver and family are moving into a part of Mrs. Champlin's house.

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ESTATES ADJUDICATED.

In adjudicating the estate of John W. Bickel, former leading member of Montgomery County Bar, and resident of Norristown, Judge William F. Solly finds that the balance for distribution amounted to \$26,943.66 and after the payment of legacies amounting to \$1700 and \$100 to Franklin and Marshall College, there remains \$25,143.66, which is awarded to the Norristown Trust Company, to be held in trust for the benefit of Mrs. S. Elizabeth Bickel Wesner.

Other adjudications and the balances for distribution handed down by Judge Solly, follow:

John G. Flickinger's share of the estate of Isabel Frances Carson, late of Whittemar, who was a sister of Flickinger, \$66,353.80.

Jeffrey Donahue, late of Bridgeport, \$377, awarded to Jeffrey Donahue.

Catharine Donnelly, West Conshohocken, \$2708.42, awarded equally to Florence, Helen, Dorothy and Michael Donnelly.

Sarah Jane Frensdorf, Upper Providence, \$488.37, awarded to eight relatives.

James H. Hunt, Norristown, \$8.91 awarded to Thomas Hunt.

Elizabeth Miller, Douglass, \$252.82, awarded to nine heirs.

William McMoran, Lower Merion, \$2077.45, awarded to thirteen heirs.

Elizabeth Jones, Ambler, \$205.73 awarded to Oliver and Etta Jones.

Leana Jones, Marlborough, \$147.03, awarded to ten different persons.

Robert J. Baldwin, Pottstown, \$20,756.51, divided equally among Elmira, Mary and Harry C. Baldwin.

Margaret E. Miller, Bridgeport, \$1524.56 divided among four children, Alfred, Franklin and Edgar Waters, and Annie Ames, after the payment of \$125 to a physician whose bill was for \$200.

Ann C. Bagner, late of Norristown, \$19,020.14, which is to be shared by Franklin C. Bagner and Charles H. Rayner, the latter's share to go to Norristown Trust Company as trustee.

Daniel F. Hiltner, late of White-marsh, \$1213.57, which is divided among 12 children and grandchildren.

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E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor.
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POLITICAL.

Political parties, just like individuals, struggle for supremacy and the spoils that go to the winners. The ins want to stay in, the outs want to get in and put the other fellows out, regardless of the weather.

To aspire to positions of public trust and emoluments is in line with honorable ambition—an aspiration worth while. To strive to continue in public office, even though the one striving has been a long while at the crib is not, per se, to be striving dishonorably.

The way we the people do things on this side the Atlantic, two formidable political parties are a national necessity; one, two, or more parties extra increase interest in the game, frequently introduce an element of doubt, and betray the idiosyncracies and unrest of a part of the body politic. While it is obviously necessary to have more, occasionally. Because a disgruntled Republican, desiring to vote, gags at voting for a Democrat. He desires a special political dish. He don't object to eating "crow" without feathers; it is the feathers that nauseate him. Moreover, he is getting away from his political idol by degrees—not quite as painful as a full jump to the other side. And it's just so with a disgruntled Democrat. Republicans and Democrats are very much alike by nature, always different by training, politically, and usually good citizens all. A Progressive party man, or one who has forsaken the party of his youth and is affiliated with a new party of whatever name, is often quite interesting. He is inclined to act as though he had suddenly seen a great light—not necessarily on the way to or from Damascus—and by this light he has beheld the wickedness of his former political companions; he's been converted; he has forgotten what he helped to do politically in times past; he is converted now; and conversion to him means a license to flay the devil in politics. However inconsistent or seemingly inconsistent they may be at times, the country will always need political converts; those who see a light somewhere, even those who see a beckoning light from a quarter that will benefit them, politically and personally. The nation must have them all—to help wallop one or the other of the two leading political parties. No political party can be kept good and clean enough long enough to remain continuously in power.

All kinds of politics on the stage in Pennsylvania just now. The curtain's up, the play is on the boards and the actors are catching the attention of the multitude. It becomes the duty of the INDEPENDENT to say something about some of the star performers. While they are pacing the stage, with a part of their vision on the galleries, it will perhaps be worth the effort to take a few measurements before the curtain drops early in November. Next week will be time enough to start. Meanwhile the editor will indulge the hope that every voter who reads the INDEPENDENT will seriously reflect upon the following basic political propositions:

Good government demands the THOUGHTFUL exercise of the elective franchise.

The welfare of the State or of the Nation is of vastly greater import than loyalty to any PARTICULAR political party.

THE political partisan who is fully persuaded that the party of his faith is the only party qualified to administer the affairs of the country is so contented with his faith that he won't bother his head with evidence to the contrary.

THE miserable Mexicans appear to be working themselves into another revolution. If they must, they must; and the authorities at Washington must see to it that if they must murder, Mexicans must murder each other. We have no American boys to serve as targets in Mexico.

Economy is always worth putting into practice. Extravagance is dangerous. It is capable of introducing disastrous conditions. While this be true, and while it is also true that some Democratic Congressmen have been more concerned about the "pork barrel" than prudent financial legislation, it is enough to make an ordinary observer of current events, having a little memory of not overly remote history, yell with disgust to hear some of the Republican brethren yammer about extravagance at Washington. Just as though the Republicans when in power at the national capital were paragon in the economical handling of public funds. Let's smile, and say no more about it; just now.

LAST year was not reckoned a flush one in the anthracite coal trade. However, the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company kept the lean wolf from the door and divided a profit of 36.2 per cent. The year before it sliced and circulated 48 per cent. Coal consumers paid the price, rather than freeze to death; certainly. Simple Simons may well ask: Where's our Public Utilities Commission, the members of which each receive \$12,000 per year from the State to look after corporations and justice to the public? Some people other than simpletons may also interrogate. Who will listen and answer? Interrogation points are not alaric, and well-paid authority is frequently as blind as a bat in daylight and as deaf as a dead mule. Time moves along. When the mercury slips down to zero it will be the old story over again: Contribute a 40 per cent. dividend or—freeze!

From the New York World: Surely Frederick M. Davenport cannot be speaking seriously when he tells his audiences that the Progressive party in New York could not survive the peerless leadership of William Sulzer. The party in California has survived the peerless leadership of Hiram Johnson. In Indiana it has survived the peerless leadership of Albert J. Beveridge. In Pennsylvania it has survived the peerless leadership of William Flinn. Why discriminate against William Sulzer? The same old Bill is as good a Progressive as any of them. He believes in the recall of judicial decisions, including decisions of a Court of Impeachment. If nominated for Governor he might poll a great many more votes than Mr. Davenport, and the Progressive party in New York needs votes as much as it needs anything. We refuse to believe that the Bull Moose is so delicate and sensitive an animal that it could not survive William Sulzer. We prefer to regard it as a tough old critter that can stand anything and stand for almost anything.

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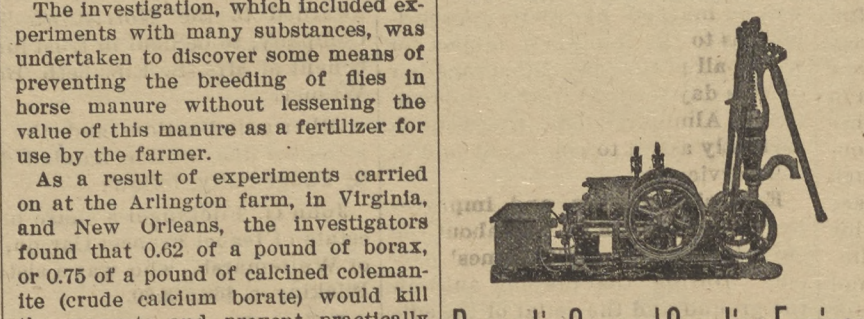
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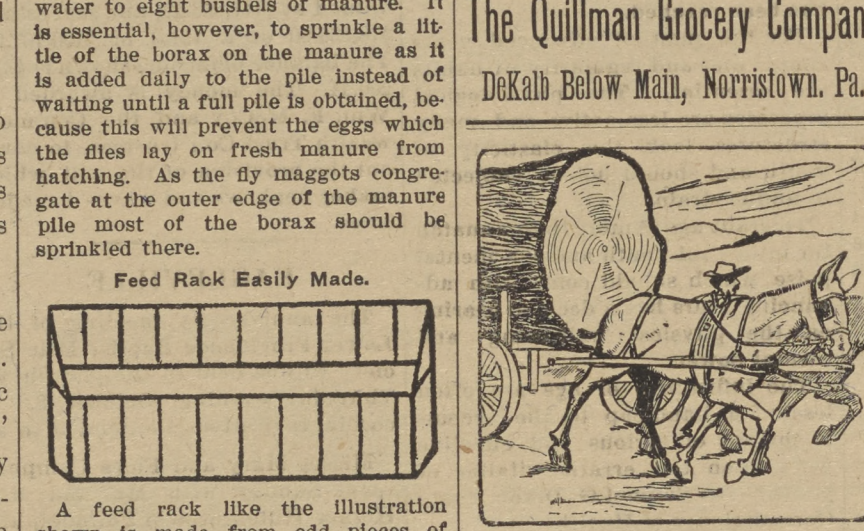


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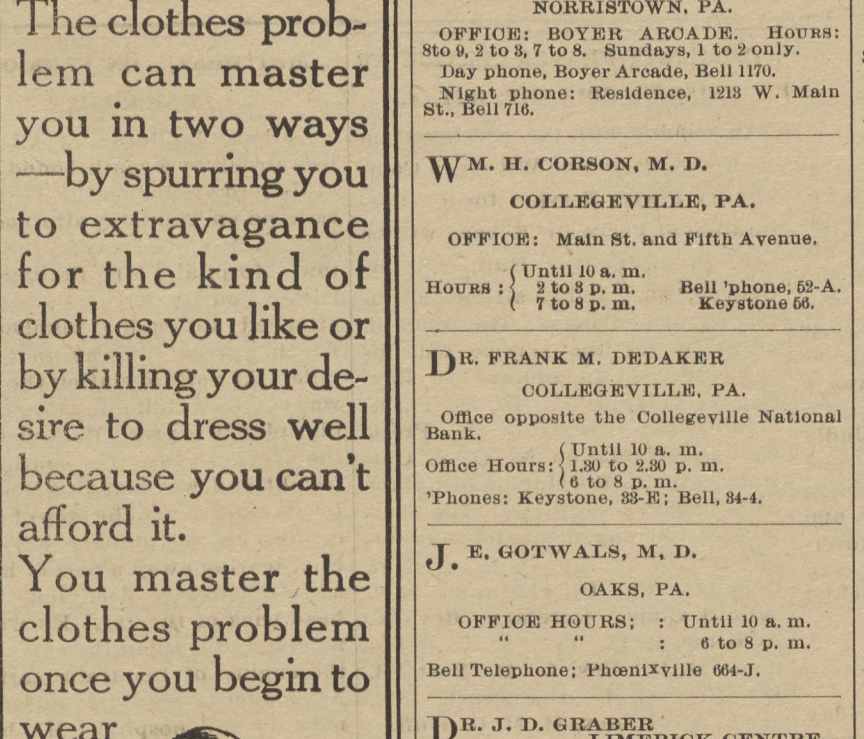
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Trelawney's Sacrifice

In Which It Is Shown That There Is No Friendship Like That Which Costs Another's Honor

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One night more than a year ago I was called at a late hour by the surgeon to set down in legal form the last words and wishes of a dying man.

I immediately responded to the call and was met at the door by a beautiful woman. Weeping bitterly, she told me that I was too late; that my services could not avail, as her husband was dead. Of course there was nothing to do but go away. I thought no more of the case until, two days afterward, I learned that the dead man was Arthur Trelawney and that he had shot himself.

Arthur Trelawney had been a dear friend of mine. We were students together at Heidelberg.

I at once hastened to the house to tender my services to his stricken widow. Again I was too late. The body had been removed to an undertaker's, and the woman had gone without leaving any address.

You can now understand my amazement when about a month ago my office boy one morning handed me a



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card bearing the name "Arthur Trelawney." Dumbfounded, I gazed at the card as if it were a message from the dead. Then I noticed some small letters in the lower corner. They read, "Formerly Captain Paul Thornton, Her Majesty's Ninth Volunteers."

The door swung open, and a big, bronzed, heavily bearded man strode into the room. I gasped with astonishment as he advanced toward me, smiling, his hands outstretched in warm greeting. Despite the changes made by time and beard, I knew him as Trelawney. Before he could utter the words that were on his tongue I cried out:

"Trelawney—Trelawney, alive?"

"Yes, very much alive," he answered as he wrung my hands.

And then, after he had listened on hearing a brief account of my doings from the time we lost touch with each other, he told me his strange story, and here it is:

Thornton was poor and bearded with Professor Braun, who had a daughter, Gretchen. Her father exacted a promise from her that she would not marry while he lived. She remained heart free till she met Paul Thornton; then it was a case of love at sight with both. They became engaged, but kept the engagement secret.

Trelawney, who was wealthy, in order to be near his friend went to board with Professor Braun. He, too, fell in love with Gretchen and proposed to her. For a while she hesitated, but, finally, then told Paul. Paul, pained and shocked, kept the matter to himself till Trelawney told him of his love for Gretchen, then announced to his friend that he was engaged himself to Gretchen and that she had told him Trelawney had proposed to her.

"It would have been far better, Paul, if you had told me before," said Trelawney.

Thornton silently acquiesced, and Trelawney knocked the ashes out of his pipe, rose to his feet and held out his hand to Thornton.

"Paul," he said, "let this make no difference in our friendship, but I must go away. I can get over it better alone."

The next day Trelawney left Heidelberg and the young couple announced their engagement to the professor. He, to their surprise, consented to a speedy marriage, and all lived happily together till the professor's death some years later.

This break in their quiet life aroused a spark of slumbering ambition in Thornton, and as soon as possible he took his wife to London.

From the start his fortune attended him. He was unable to find employment for which he was fitted, and his small income went only a short way in London. Matters grew worse and worse until they were compelled to take one room in a cheap lodging house.

One night Thornton went home staggering under a blow harder than any he had been called upon to bear. The little clerkship that had depended on, even for their meager living, was to be taken from him in a month because of a reduction in the office force, and simultaneously he had been called upon to bear arms in South Africa.

His face was pale and haggard as he entered the little room, which was almost in darkness. As he hesitated on the threshold a heavy voice from the gloom cut him to the heart.

"Hello, Paul, old man! I've tracked you at last. Thought you could shake me, didn't you?"

It was Trelawney, and before Thornton realized it he was sobbing like a child on his friend's shoulder.

"Arthur, God bless you! I hoped you would never know how far down hill I have been sliding."

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"But I slipped pretty close to the bottom—today," replied Thornton, and then he told Trelawney and his wife of the untoward events of the day. Gretchen gave a sharp cry and buried her face in her hands. Trelawney turned to her quickly, his lips setting into a hard line. He sat silent while the woman wept softly, and then, shaking himself as if aroused from a dream, he said:

"Come, I see a way clearly out of this. We will lay it all over until tomorrow."

The next night Trelawney was in high spirits when he entered Thornton's room.

"Congratulations, Paul and Gretchen!" he cried. "I am going to South Africa."

Husband and wife stared at Trelawney in amazement, and finally Paul said:

"Going to South Africa! Why, you said nothing about this last night. You surely had no such intention yesterday. What is the meaning of this sudden impulse, for such it seems to be?"

"Well, yes, it is a sudden impulse, and as to its meaning you will learn that later on."

"No. Be frank, Trelawney; tell me its meaning now."

"Well, Paul, it simply means that you can remain with your wife."

"Trelawney, do you mean that you have enlisted as my substitute and without my consent?" said Paul.

"Substitute? No, Paul, it will never be said that Paul Thornton sent another to the front for him, for I know you would not have it so."

"What is this enigma?" asked Paul.

"Let me introduce myself—Paul Thornton of Her Majesty's Ninth volunteers. Now, listen to me, Paul. I am making no sacrifice. It all fits in perfectly with my plans for the future."

"But I shall stop you. I shall go to the war office and—"

"That will be useless. The war office will not be open until tomorrow, and by midnight I shall be out of London. Paul, nothing can be more to my liking. Pray do not try to block a plan which will give me more pleasure than perhaps I shall ever enjoy again in my life. I have no ties, no responsibilities."

"Take now your own case: What would Gretchen do in a strange country without friends or means of support while you were away? Instead of that, it pleases me to see you must not try to rob me of this gratification—that Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Trelawney sail within the week for America—in fact, their passage is already booked on the Lucania. The agent sent them the tickets by me."

Trelawney took an envelope from his pocket and placed it on the table, continuing before Thornton could interrupt him:

"And Trelawney's solicitor has been instructed to send to him in America only a portion of his income, and he has obtained a letter of credit and the necessary credentials."

Trelawney placed another envelope on the table.

"Arthur, I say you shall not do this!" broke out Thornton.

"Paul," he said slowly, "surely you will not deny me the great happiness I shall take in doing this thing—for Gretchen?"

They both looked into his eyes and saw the pleading, and they both knew that it was for the woman he loved that he wished to make the sacrifice.

They came to America, where the new Trelawney sank under the influence of drink and morphine.

Gretchen watched the change in him with fear. At first her influence held him somewhat in check, but at last even his love for her was deadened by his excesses. He constantly feared exposure, as if he were guilty of some great crime.

After the close of the war Trelawney remained in South Africa and only recently returned to London, where he startled his solicitor as much as he startled me. It was only then that he learned of Thornton's death under his name. He started at once for America.

His first purpose was to find the widow. In time he discovered that she was working as a saleswoman in a dry goods store and had managed to support herself comfortably. As may be expected, Trelawney married her.

MAN AND MICROBES.

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Hans Andersen's Great Fear.

Hans Andersen, the great Danish writer, was an excessively nervous man, and he had a very great fear of being buried alive. So great was this dread that every night when he went to bed he would place by his bedside a large piece of paper on which was written, "I am only apparently dead."

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